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MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY POLICY

Wednesday, April 29, 2015 9:00 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Nesbitt, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Nesbitt, Glenn, Jacobsen, LaFontaine, McBroom, Outman, Pettalia, Hughes, Barrett, Cole, Lucido, Maturen, B. Roberts, Sheppard, Webber, LaVoy, Brunner, Lane, Dianda, Kivela, Kosowski, Byrd, Garrett, D. Miller, Plawecki.

Representative LaFontaine made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of April 22, 2015. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid the following bill before the Committee.

HB 4297 (Nesbitt) Energy; alternative sources; energy generated from waste; allow to qualify as renewable or advanced cleaner energy, modify renewable energy location requirements, and eliminate energy optimization program.

The following individuals spoke to the Committee regarding HB 4297:

Martin Kushler, representing the American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy (ACEEE), in opposition

Art Thayer, representing the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association, in support

Kate White, representing Michigan Community Action, in opposition

James Ault, representing the Michigan Electric and Gas Association, in support

Brindley Baird and Amanda Godword, representing Michigan Energy Efficiency Contractors, in opposition

Larry Ward and Mark Huizenga, representing the Michigan Conservative Energy Forum, in support and opposition to various issues

Dan Scripps, representing the Michigan Energy Innovation Business Council, in opposition

Gayle Miller of Ovid, Michigan, in opposition

Cards for HB 4297 were submitted by:

Bill Van Huis, representing Dr. Energy Saver, in opposition

Judy Karandjeff, representing the League of Women Voters, in opposition

Alexis Blizman, representing the Ecology Center, in opposition

Leah White, representing the Interfaith Power and Light

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Nesbitt declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:55 a.m.

Representative Aric Nesbitt, Chair

Catherine Petroskey, Committee Clerk (517) 373-8538